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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## **2020 Waterfowl season opener for Southeast Alaska**

(Juneau) – Hunters are reminded of waterfowl regulations which change the season opening and closure dates on an alternating yearly schedule.

Each year, the season opening date will change, depending on odd year or an even years. On even years, like 2020, the season start date will begin on **Sept. 16**. In odd years, like 2021, the season will start Sept. 1. Season duration will remain constant at 108 days from the start of the season.

This change made effective by the Board of Game during its January 2019 meeting in Petersburg, Alaska, was implemented after feedback from waterfowl hunters requesting later season opening to harvest waterfowl in Region 1.

Most waterfowl are migratory, moving southward as the seasons change from fall to winter. In odd years, hunters in northern Southeast Alaska will have more opportunity to harvest certain species like teal, while in even years southern Southeast will have more opportunity to harvest sea duck species. Simply, opportunity shifts on odd and even years.

Hunters preparing to hunt the Mendenhall Wetlands in Juneau need to remember that the first two days of the season are reserved for youth hunters age 10-17 only.

For additional details on hunting regulations call your local ADF&G office. More information, including the full 2020-2021 Waterfowl Hunting Regulations (PDF) booklet can also be found online at <http://hunt.alaska.gov>.

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